



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2015 Maryland General Assembly Session

February 13, 2015
Schedule 23

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 13, 2015

SB 726 Senators Bates and Ready

EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM – TOWN OF SYKESVILLE – SERVICE CREDIT

Repealing the 75% limitation on the amount of service credit an employee of the Town of Sykesville may receive for employment with the Town of Sykesville before the Town of Sykesville's effective date of participation in the Employees' Pension System as a participating governmental unit; repealing a provision made obsolete by the Act that prohibits an entitlement to service credit for specified employment under a specified circumstance; and making a conforming change.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

SP, § 31-111(a) - amended and § 31-111.5 - repealed

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 727 Senator Norman, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – MOTORCYCLE PROFILING – TRAINING

Requiring the Police Training Commission to require a specified statement condemning motorcycle profiling to be included in existing written policies regarding other profiling; requiring the Commission to include in specified curriculum and courses of study training on motorcycle profiling in conjunction with existing training regarding other profiling; and defining the term "motorcycle profiling".

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PS, §§ 3-201(e) and 3-207(18) - added and § 3-207(17) and (18) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

Department of Legislative Services

90 State Circle, Annapolis, Maryland 21401-1991

Baltimore Area: 410-946-5400 — Washington Area: 301-970-5400

Other Maryland Areas: 1-800-492-7122 — Maryland Relay Service: 1-800-735-2258

SB 728 Senator Conway**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – BLESSED SACRAMENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Marian House, Incorporated for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Blessed Sacrament Supportive Housing project, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 729 Senator Eckardt**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – DORCHESTER COUNTY – CHESAPEAKE GROVE SENIOR HOUSING AND INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Delmarva Community Services, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Chesapeake Grove Senior Housing and Intergenerational Center, located in Dorchester County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 730 Senator Eckardt**WICOMICO COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Requiring that members of the Wicomico County Board of Education be elected and appointed, as specified; providing for a student member of the county board; establishing the composition of the county board; providing for the qualifications, terms of office, and the filling of a vacancy for the members of the county board; establishing removal, hearing, and appeal procedures for members of the county board; submitting the Act to the legally qualified voters of Wicomico County for their adoption or rejection; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

ED, §§ 3-105 and 3-114 - amended and §§ 3-13A-01 through 3-13A-03 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 731 Senator Eckardt**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – TALBOT COUNTY – CHESAPEAKE BAY MARITIME MUSEUM**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Governors of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, located in Talbot County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 732 Senator Ferguson**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – PEALE CENTER FOR BALTIMORE ARCHITECTURE AND HISTORY**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Peale Center for Baltimore History and Architecture, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Peale Center for Baltimore Architecture and History facility, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 733 Senator Ferguson**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – BANNER NEIGHBORHOODS COMMUNITY CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$75,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Banner Neighborhoods Community Corporation, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Banner Neighborhoods Community Center project, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 734 Senator Zirkin**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – GILEAD HOUSE RENOVATION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$65,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of The Vestry of St. Mark's-on-the-Hill for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Gilead House, located in Baltimore County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 735 Senator Zirkin**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER – ELIGIBILITY – REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring the Office of the Public Defender to investigate the financial status of each applicant for services; requiring the Office to require a specified applicant to execute and deliver specified requests or authorizations that are needed in order to evaluate eligibility for services of the Office; requiring the Office to submit specified requests to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation and the Comptroller for specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CP, § 16-210 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 736 Senator Reilly, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – HANDGUN IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS – REPEAL**

Repealing a provision of law requiring specified firearms manufacturers and dealers and the Department of State Police to take specified actions relating to identification of handguns.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PS, § 5-131 - repealed

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 737 **Senator Simonaire****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION AND
NOMINATING COMMISSION – COUNTY EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT
AUTHORITY**

Requiring the County Executive of Anne Arundel County to appoint the members of the county board of education from a specified list submitted by the School Board Nominating Commission of Anne Arundel County; requiring the County Executive to appoint five members to the Commission one from each legislative districts that lies in whole or in part in Anne Arundel County; requiring the Governor to appoint one Commission member from the county at large; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 3-110(a), (b), and (c)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 738 **Senator Simonaire****PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS – RESPONSIBLE CHARGE – REVIEW
AND APPROVAL OF ENGINEERING DOCUMENTS**

Requiring specified engineering documents prepared in connection with specified projects conducted by, jointly with, or under contract with the State or a political subdivision of the State, where specified skills are required, to be signed, sealed, and dated by a professional engineer; and requiring any review or approval by a unit of State or local government of a specified engineering document to be undertaken by a specified professional engineer with responsible charge; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

BOP, § 14-103 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 739 Senator Montgomery**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – DAMASCUS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Damascus Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Damascus Volunteer Fire Department building, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 740 Senator Montgomery**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BROOKE GROVE REHABILITATION AND NURSING CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Brooke Grove Foundation, Incorporated for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of a new addition to the Brooke Grove Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 741 Senator Montgomery**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – OLNEY MANOR DOG PARK**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Olney Manor Dog Park, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 742 Senator Nathan–Pulliam, et al**PUBLIC HEALTH – RESTAURANTS – MEALS FOR CHILDREN**

Limiting the types of beverages that a restaurant may include in the price of a children's menu of meal options or a meal that is represented as a child's meal; and authorizing a restaurant to offer specified beverages to minors for a charge.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 21-304.3 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 743 Senator Lee, et al**VITAL RECORDS – NEW CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH – SEX CHANGE OR DIAGNOSIS OF AN INTERSEX CONDITION**

Requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, under specified circumstances, to make a new certificate of birth for an individual whose sex has been changed or who has been diagnosed with an intersex condition; requiring that a specified sex designation and, under specified circumstances, a specified name be on the new certificate of birth; altering the circumstances under which a seal on an original certificate of birth record may be broken; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, §§ 4-201, 4-211, and 4-214 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 744 Senators Kagan and King**MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2011 – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – WATER PARK AT BOHRER PARK**

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 to provide that specified grants for the Water Park at Bohrer Park may not terminate before June 1, 2016; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

Ch. 396 of the Acts of 2011, § 1(3) Item ZA02(BG) and Item ZA03(AT) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 745 Senator Edwards**LANDLORD AND TENANT – SECURITY DEPOSIT – USE FOR UNPAID WATER AND SEWER BILLS**

Authorizing a landlord to withhold all or part of a security deposit under a residential lease for unpaid water and sewer bills if water and sewer bills are required to be paid by the tenant under the lease; making conforming changes to provisions relating to purchasing a surety bond instead of paying all or part of a security deposit; altering the definition of “security deposit”; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

RP, § 8-203(a), (f)(1)(i), and (i)(2)(i), (4), and (6) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 746 Senator Edwards**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WASHINGTON COUNTY – CUSHWA BASIN AREA**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Cushwa Basin Area project, located in Washington County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 747 Senators Feldman and Lee**PUBLIC UTILITIES – ELECTRIC COMPANIES – VEGETATION MANAGEMENT**

Requiring the Public Service Commission, in adopting specified vegetation management regulations, to require that an electric company’s vegetation management program comply with the International Society of Arboriculture’s Best Management Practices for Utility Pruning of Trees; and prohibiting an electric company from removing a tree on private property unless the tree is hazardous and the private property owner has consented to removal of the hazardous tree.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PU, § 7-213(a) and (e) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 748 Senator Middleton, et al**DEER HUNTING – CROP DAMAGE PERMIT – WILD VENISON**

Providing that specified provisions of law related to the sale of livestock apply to specified deer; providing that the Maryland Wholesome Meat Act applies to specified deer; requiring the Secretary of Agriculture and the Department of Natural Resources on or before October 1, 2016, to adopt regulations to establish requirements for the processing, inspection, labeling and sale of wild venison in the State; authorizing a person who holds a crop damage permit to hunt deer under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

AG, §§ 3-301, 4-103, 4-107, and 4-123.1(a)(3) and NR, §§ 10-404 and 10-415 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 749 Senator Pugh**MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – DISCRIMINATION IN UNDERWRITING AND RATING – PROHIBITIONS**

Prohibiting an insurer, with respect to private passenger motor vehicle insurance, from refusing to underwrite, canceling, refusing to renew, rating a risk, or increasing a renewal premium based, in whole or in part, on the marital status or employment or occupation of or education level attained by the insured or applicant; repealing specified provisions of law authorizing an insurer, under specified circumstances, to use the credit history of an applicant to rate a new policy of private passenger motor vehicle insurance; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

IN, § 27-501(e-2) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules